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Division of Drinking Water

March 4, 2015

System No. 4600003

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Gilbert Petersen, President
Treasure Mountain Camp
P.O. Box 251
Weimar, CA 95736

TRANSMITTAL OF CITATION NO. 01-02-14C-008

Dear Mr. Petersen,

The State Water Resources Control Board (Water Board), Division of Drinking Water, has issued the Treasure Mountain Camp a citation, which is attached.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call staff engineer Steve Watson at (530) 224-4828 or me at (530) 224-4800.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Michael J. McNamara".

Michael J. McNamara, P.E.
Lassen District Engineer
Drinking Water Field Operations Branch

cc: Elizabeth Morgan, Sierra County Environmental Health Department
Jim Richardson, Camp Operator, 15750 Mt. Olive Rd., Grass Valley, CA 95945

Enclosure: Citation No. 01-02-14C-008

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1 **STATE OF CALIFORNIA**
2 **WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD**
3 **DIVISION OF DRINKING WATER**
4

5 **TO:** Treasure Mountain Camp
6 P.O. Box 251
7 Weimar, CA 95736
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9 **Attn:** Gilbert Petersen, President
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11 **CITATION FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS,**
12 **TITLE 22, SECTION 64426.1(b) - WATER SYSTEM NO. 4600003**

13 **C I T A T I O N N O . 01-02-14C-008**

14 **Issued on March 4, 2015**
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16 Section 116650 of the California Health and Safety Code authorizes the issuance of
17 a citation to a public water system for violation of the California Safe Drinking Water
18 Act (Health and Safety Code, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4, commencing with
19 Section 116270) (hereinafter "California SDWA"), or any regulation, standard, permit
20 or order issued or adopted thereunder.
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22 The State Water Resources Control Board (hereinafter "Board"), acting by and
23 through its Division of Drinking Water (hereinafter "Division") and the Deputy Director
24 for the Division (hereinafter "Deputy Director"), hereby issues a citation to the
25 Treasure Mountain Camp (hereinafter, Camp) (401 Old Truckee Road, CA 96126) for
26 violation of California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 22, Section 64426.1
27 subsection (b).

APPLICABLE AUTHORITIES**Section 116650 of California Health and Safety Code provides:**

(a) If the department determines that a public water system is in violation of this chapter or any regulation, permit, standard, citation, or order issued or adopted thereunder, the department may issue a citation to the public water system. The citation shall be served upon the public water system personally or by certified mail. Service shall be deemed effective as of the date of personal service or the date of receipt of the certified mail. If a person to whom a citation is directed refuses to accept delivery of the certified mail, the date of service shall be deemed to be the date of mailing.

(b) Each citation shall be in writing and shall describe the nature of the violation or violations, including a reference to the statutory provision, standard, order, citation, permit, or regulation alleged to have been violated.

(c) A citation may specify a date for elimination or correction of the condition constituting the violation.

(d) A citation may include the assessment of a penalty as specified in subdivision (e).

(e) The department may assess a penalty in an amount not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per day for each day that a violation occurred, and for each day that a violation continues to occur. A separate penalty may be assessed for each violation.

California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 64426.1, subsection (b) provides, in relevant part:

(b) A public water system is in violation of the total coliform MCL [maximum contaminant level] when any of the following occurs:

1 (1) For a public water system which collects at least 40 samples per
2 month, more than 5.0 percent of the samples collected during any month are total
3 coliform-positive; or

4 (2) For a public water system which collects fewer than 40 samples
5 per month, more than one sample collected during any month is total coliform-positive;
6 or

7 (3) Any repeat sample is fecal coliform-positive or E. coli-positive; or

8 (4) Any repeat sample following a fecal coliform-positive or E. coli-
9 positive routine sample is total coliform-positive.

10 11 **STATEMENT OF FACTS**

12 The Camp is located on the west side of Highway 49, approximately 1.5 miles south
13 of Sierraville. It is open for public use during the months between May and
14 September each year. The domestic water system is classified as a transient non-
15 community water system. As such, the Camp is required to collect one routine
16 bacteriological sample during each month the Camp is open to the public.

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18 On August 5, 2014, a routine bacteriological sample was collected from the Camp's
19 distribution system, which was found to contain total coliform bacteria. Four repeat
20 bacteriological samples were collected on August 18, 2014, including three from the
21 distribution system and one from the spring source. One of the three samples from
22 the distribution system was found to contain total coliform bacteria, while the sample
23 from the spring was absent of total coliform bacteria.

24 25 **DETERMINATIONS**

26 Based on the above Statement of Facts the Division has determined that the Camp
27 violated Section 64426.1(b)(2), Title 22, of the CCR, in that the Camp exceeded the



total coliform MCL during the month of August 2014.

DIRECTIVES

The Camp is hereby directed to take the following actions:

1. Comply with Section 64426.1, Title 22, of the CCR in all future monitoring periods.
2. Upon opening of the facility in 2015, the Camp shall notify persons served of the MCL violation as required by Section 64463.4 and Section 64465, Title 22, of the CCR. Notification shall be completed in accordance with each of the following:
 - a. Posting of the notice contained in Attachment A in conspicuous locations throughout the Camp for at least seven days. The Camp must also give a legible, written description (preferably typed) of the corrective actions taken by the water system to address the violation under the section entitled "What Happened? What Was Done?". The Camp must use the space provided on Attachment A for this written description.
 - b. Provide the notice contained in Attachment A to visitors using one or more of the following methods to reach persons not likely to be reached by a public posting:
 - i. Publication in a local newspaper,
 - ii. Posting on the Internet.
3. Complete and return Attachment B, entitled "Compliance Certification" form no later than June, 30, 2015. A copy of the notices used to provide the public



1 notification shall be attached to the form.

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3 All documents required by this Citation to be submitted to the Department shall be
4 submitted to the following address:

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6 Michael J. McNamara, P. E.
7 Lassen District Engineer
8 State Water Resources Control Board
9 Division of Drinking Water
10 364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 101
11 Redding, CA 96002
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13 As used in this Citation, the date of issuance shall be the date of this Citation; and the
14 date of service shall be the date of service of this Citation, personal or by certified
15 mail, on the Water System.

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17 Nothing in this Citation relieves the Camp of its obligation to meet the requirements of
18 Health and Safety Code, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4 (California Safe Drinking
19 Water Act), or any regulation, permit, standard or order issued or adopted thereunder.
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21 The Division reserves the right to make such modifications to this Citation, as it may
22 deem necessary to protect public health and safety. Such modifications may be
23 issued as amendments to this Citation and shall be effective upon issuance.
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25 **PARTIES BOUND**

26 This Citation shall apply to and be binding upon the Camp, its officers, directors,
27 shareholders, agents, employees, contractors, successors, and assignees.
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SEVERABILITY

The Directives of this Citation are severable, and the Camp shall comply with each and every provision thereof, notwithstanding the effectiveness of any other provision.

FURTHER ENFORCEMENT ACTION

The California SDWA authorizes the Board to: issue citation with assessment of administrative penalties to a public water system for violation or continued violation of the requirements of the California SDWA or any permit, regulation, permit or order issued or adopted thereunder including, but not limited to, failure to correct a violation identified in a citation or compliance order. The California SDWA also authorizes the Board to take action to suspend or revoke a permit that has been issued to a public water system if the system has violated applicable law or regulations or has failed to comply with an order of the Board; and to petition the superior court to take various enforcement measures against a public water system that has failed to comply with violates an order of the Board. The Board does not waive any further enforcement action by issuance of this citation.

Date

3/4/2015

Michael J. McNamara
 Michael J. McNamara, P.E.
 Lassen District Engineer
 Division of Drinking Water
 State Water Resources Control Board

Attachments:

'A' Public Notification

'B' Compliance Certification

CERTIFIED MAIL 7012 3460 0003 1113 0123

cc: Jim Richardson, Camp Operator



IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre su agua potable.

Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

Tests Showed Coliform Bacteria in the Treasure Mountain Camp Domestic Water System

Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this incident was not an emergency, as our water users, you have a right to know what happened and what we did to correct the situation.

We routinely monitor for drinking water contaminants in the water system. During August 2014, we collected five samples from our water system to test for the presence of coliform bacteria. Two of these samples showed the presence of coliform bacteria. The standard is that no more than one sample per month may show the presence of coliform bacteria.

What Should You Do?

You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

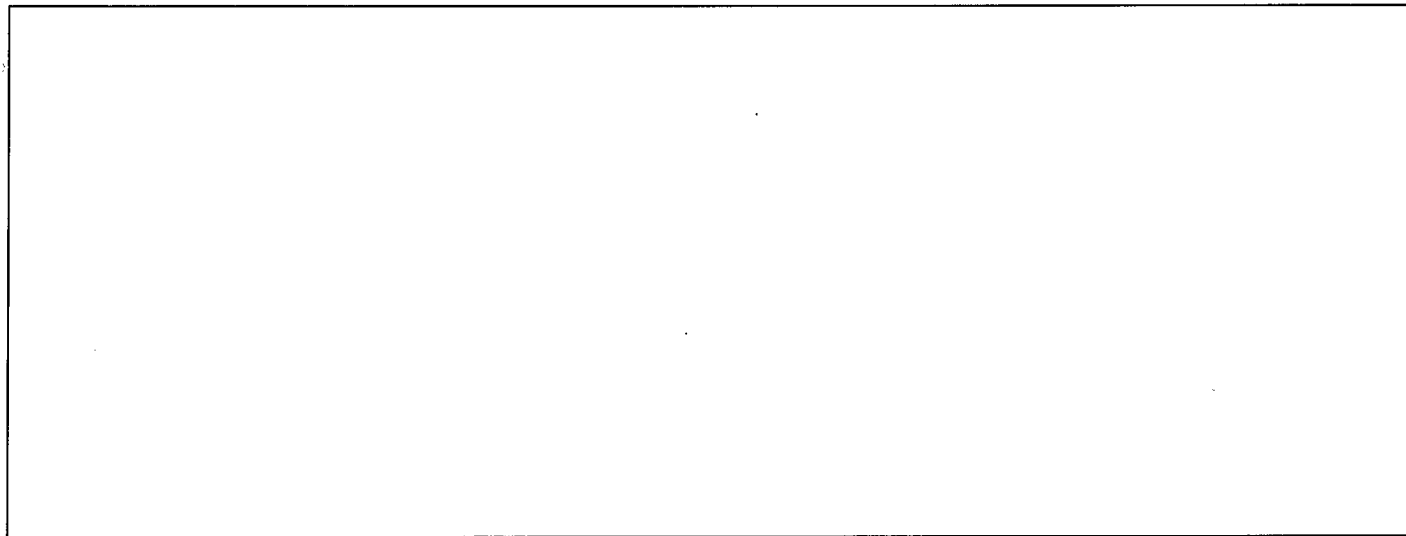
People with severely compromised immune systems, infants, and some elderly may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1 (800) 426-4791.

What Does This Mean?

This is not an emergency. If it were, you would have been notified immediately. Coliform bacteria are generally not harmful themselves. *Coliforms are bacteria which are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other, potentially-harmful, bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems.*

Usually, coliform bacteria are a signal that there may be a problem with our source of supply, storage, or distribution systems. Whenever we detect coliform bacteria in any sample, we do follow-up testing to see if other bacteria of greater concern, such as fecal coliform or E. coli, are present. We did not find any of these bacteria in our subsequent testing, and further testing shows that this problem has been resolved.

What Happened? What Was Done?



For more information please contact Gilbert Petersen, Treasure Mountain Camp, at (530) 637-4790.

COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION

Citation Number: **01-02-14C-008**

Name of Water System: **Treasure Mountain Camp**

System Number: **4600003**

As required by Section 116450 of the California Health and Safety Code, I certify that the users of the water supplied by this water system were notified of the violations of Title 22, California Code of Regulations (CCR) for the compliance period of August 2014. In addition, I certify that the Treasure Mountain Camp complied with the directives of this citation as indicated below:

<u>Required Action</u>	<u>Date Completed</u>
Public Notification, as required by Directive 2(a)	_____
Public Notification, as required by Directive 2(b)	_____
_____	_____
Signature of Water System Representative	Date

Attach a copy of the notice posted within the water system, a copy of the notice published in the newspaper or posted on the internet.

THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND RETURNED TO THE DEPARTMENT NO LATER THAN JUNE 30, 2015.

Disclosure: Be advised that Section 116725 and 116730 of the California Health and Safety Code states that any person who knowingly makes any false statement on any report or document submitted for the purpose of compliance with the attached order may be liable for a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for each separate violation for each day that violation continues. In addition, the violators may be prosecuted in criminal court and upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$25,000 for each day of violation, or be imprisoned in county jail not to exceed one year, or by both the fine and imprisonment.